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Abimelech called Abraham BY BISHOP MANNING

Genesis 20 King James Version (KJV)

20 And Abraham journeyed from thence toward the south country, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.

2 **And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is my sister:** and Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah.

3 **But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold, thou art but a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she is a man's wife.**

4 But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, LORD, wilt thou slay also a righteous nation?

5 Said he not unto me, She is my sister? and she, even she herself said, He is my brother: in the integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this.

6 And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.

7 **Now therefore restore the man his wife; for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore her not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that are thine.**
(NOTES, Abraham did not know about this conversation.)

8 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.

9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.

10 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?

11 And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God is not in this place; **and they will slay me for my wife's sake.**

12 And yet indeed she is my sister; she is the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

13 And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This is thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me, He is my brother.

14 And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and **womenservants**, and gave them unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.

15 And Abimelech said, Behold, my land is before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee.

16 And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given thy brother a thousand pieces of silver: behold, he is to thee a covering of the eyes, unto all that are with thee, and with all other: thus she was reproved.

17 So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children.

18 For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.

*****#1 FEAR #1



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—Genesis 20:3

THE DREAM #2

I. Abraham Repeats his lies (vs. 1-2)

Genesis 20:1–2 Abraham journeyed from there to the Negev region and settled between Kadesh and Shur. While he lived as a temporary resident in Gerar, ² Abraham said about his wife Sarah, “She is my sister.” So Abimelech, king of Gerar, sent for Sarah and took her.

- Abraham is on the move
 - He was in Mamre for about 20 years, living among the Oaks.
 - He left immediately after the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah.
- Abram uses the same lie of protection in all his travels. “Sarah is my sister”.
- Abimelech may be a name ascribed to kings in this area.

Genesis 12:10–20 (NIV)

¹⁰ Now there was a famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt to live there for a while because the famine was severe. ¹¹ As he was about to enter Egypt, he said to his wife Sarai, “I know what a beautiful woman you are. ¹² When the Egyptians see you, they will say, ‘This is his wife.’ Then they will kill me but will let you live. ¹³ Say you are my sister, so that I will be treated well for your sake and my life will be spared because of you.”



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FOOT NOTES

1. HOW MANY TIMES ABRAHAM LIED CONCERNING HIS WIFE SO FAR? _____ NAME THE CHAPTER & BOOKS
2. NAME ONE OF THE COUNTRY ABRAHAM VISITED AND DID NOT TELL THE TRUTH CONCERNING HIS WIFE _____
3. HOW MANY BOOKS ARE IN THE BIBLE?

4. WHICH BOOK & CHAPTER IN THE BIBLE TELLS US THAT GOD DESTROY SODOM AND GOMORRAH
?

5. WHY DID GOD DO IT?

6. HOW IS LOT RELATED TO ABRAHAM? _____
7. WHAT'S THE NAME OF THE CHOSEN CHILD TO SARAH? _____